### APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): 7 July 2008
- B. DISTRICT OFFICE: Nashville District

FILE NAME: Generic JD for All Section 10 Navigable Waters FILE NUMBER: LRN-2008-01010 Irene Raycell Wimberly

C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The proposed project is located on a navigable water located within the regulatory jurisdiction of the Nashville District Corps of Engineers. The Nashville District has previously determined the extent of navigable waters within the drainage areas of the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers located within the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, and Mississippi. Posting of this JD establishes that the Corps has jurisdiction over navigable waters under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 not only for this application but also for all future permit applications located on recognized navigable waters. Future permit applications will reference this generic JD which will eliminate the need to post separate JDs for each future application. Since jurisdiction over Section 10 navigable waters is straightforward, we have determined that it serves no useful purpose to perform and post a separate JD for each action. Development and posting of this generic JD will allow limited staff resources to be focused on other JDs that require more in-depth analysis. (Additionally, since a significant nexus determination and related factors are not required for this JD, nonrelevant sections of the standard seven-page JD form have been eliminated in the interest of brevity and clarity.)

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Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date) ORTHO, 1994:	
or Other (Name & Date):	
Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: .	
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Applicable/supporting scientific literature:	
Other information (please specify):	

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- B. DISTRICT OFFICE: Nashville District

FILE NAME: Generic JD for All Section 10 Navigable Waters

FILE NUMBER: LRN-2008-01006 William Campbell

C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The proposed project is located on a navigable water located within the regulatory jurisdiction of the Nashville District Corps of Engineers. The Nashville District has previously determined the extent of navigable waters within the drainage areas of the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers located within the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, and Mississippi. Posting of this JD establishes that the Corps has jurisdiction over navigable waters under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 not only for this application but also for all future permit applications located on recognized navigable waters. Future permit applications will reference this generic JD which will eliminate the need to post separate JDs for each future application. Since jurisdiction over Section 10 navigable waters is straightforward, we have determined that it serves no useful purpose to perform and post a separate JD for each action. Development and posting of this generic JD will allow limited staff resources to be focused on other JDs that require more in-depth analysis. (Additionally, since a significant nexus determination and related factors are not required for this JD, non-

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D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR	R EVALUATION: Office (Desk) Deter	rmination. Date: 7 July 2008
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Appl Appl	icable/supporting scientific literature:
Othe	r information (please specify):

# APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

### **SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR A	APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL	DETERMINATION (JD	): 09-Jul-2008
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B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: Nashville District, LRN-2008-00892-JD1

### C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

State: AL - Alabama

County/parish/borough: Madison

City: Huntsville

Lat: 34.621794535531414 Long: -86.75647658055526

Universal Transverse Mercator: [ ]

Name of nearest waterbody: Miller Branch
Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW): Wheeler Lake

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 6030002

Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential jurisdictional areas is/are available upon request.

Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc¿) are associated with the action and are recorded on a different JD form.

### D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION:

09-Jul-2008

Office Determination Date:

Field Determination Date

(s):

### **SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

### A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION

There [] "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area.

Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.

Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce.

Explain:

### B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There [] "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area.

### 1. Waters of the U.S.

# a. Indicate presence of waters of U.S. in review area:1

Water Name	Water Type(s) Present
Miller Branch	Relatively Permanent Waters (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	Wetlands directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs

## b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area:

Area: (m²) Linear: (m)

# c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction:

based on: []

OHWM Elevation: (if known)

# 2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands:3

Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain:

# **SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

### A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs

### 1.TNW

### 2. Wetland Adjacent to TNW

Not Applicable.

### B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

### 1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

### (i) General Area Conditions:

Watershed size: []
Drainage area: []

Average annual rainfall: inches Average annual snowfall: inches

### (ii) Physical Characteristics

### (a) Relationship with TNW:

Tributary flows directly into TNW.

Tributary flows through [] tributaries before entering TNW.

:Number of tributaries

Project waters are [] river miles from TNW.

Project waters are [] river miles from RPW.

Project Waters are [] aerial (straight) miles from TNW.

Project waters are [] aerial(straight) miles from RPW.

Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries.

Explain:

Identify flow route to TNW:5

# **Tributary Stream Order, if known:**

	Order	Tributary Name
2		Miller Branch

# (b) General Tributary Characteristics:

# **Tributary is:**

Tributary Name	Natural	Artificial	Explain	Manipulated	Explain
Miller Branch	X	-	-	-	-

### Tributary properties with respect to top of bank (estimate):

Tributary Name	Width (ft)	Depth (ft)	Side Slopes
Miller Branch	10		3:1

### Primary tributary substrate composition:

	Tributary Name	Silt	Sands	Concrete	Cobble	Gravel	Muck	Bedrock	Vegetation	Other
Mille	er Branch	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

# Tributary (conditions, stability, presence, geometry, gradient):

Tributary Name	Condition\Stability	Run\Riffle\Pool Complexes	Geometry	Gradient (%)
Miller Branch	stable	no	Meandering	.143

### (c) Flow:

Tributary Name	Provides for	Events Per Year	Flow Regime	Duration & Volume
Miller Branch	Perennial flow	20 (or greater)	year round	-

### Surface Flow is:

Tributary Name	Surface Flow	Characteristics
Miller Branch	Discrete and confined	beaver activity has impounded some of stream

### **Subsurface Flow:**

Tributary Name	Subsurface Flow	Explain Findings	Dye (or other) Test
Miller Branch	Unknown	-	-

# **Tributary has:**

Tributary Name	Bed & Banks	OHWM	Discontinuous OHWM <sup>7</sup>	Explain
Miller Branch	Х	Х	-	-

### Tributaries with OHWM<sup>6</sup> - (as indicated above)

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<b>Tributary Name</b>	OHWM	Clear	Litter	Changes	Destruction	Shelving	Wrack Line	Matted\Absent	Sediment	Leaf Litter	Scour	Sediment	Flow Events	Water	Changes	Other
				in Soil	Vegetation			Vegetation	Sorting			Deposition		Staining	Plant	
Miller Branch	Х	-	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction:

# **High Tide Line indicated by:**

Not Applicable.

# Mean High Water Mark indicated by:

### (iii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality;general watershed characteristics, etc.).

Tributary Name	Explain	Identify specific pollutants, if known
Miller Branch	water color clear, watershed mostly wooded or agricultural	-

### (iv) Biological Characteristics. Channel supports:

Tributary Name	Riparian Corridor	Characteristics	Wetland Fringe	Characteristics	Habitat
Miller Branch	1 X	varies widely with wetlands bordering much of stream	Х	herbaceous and wooded	Х

### **Habitat for: (as indicated above)**

Tributary Name	Habitat	Federally Listed Species		Fish\Spawn Areas	Explain Findings	Other Environmentally Sensitive Species	Explain Findings	Aquatic\Wildlife Diversity	Explain Findings
Miller Branch	X	-	-	×	small stream fish and possible spawning area for nearby Wheeler Lake species	-	-	X	wide variety of habiat from stream to shallow wetlands abutting

### 2. Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

- (i) Physical Characteristics:
- (a) General Wetland Characteristics:

### **Properties:**

Wetland Name	Size (Acres)	Wetland Type	Wetland Quality	Cross or Serve as State Boundaries, Explain
Trottaria ranio	0.23 (7.0.00)	Trottana Typo	Trottaria quanty	Grood or Corro do Giato Bouridanico: Explain
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	5	palustrine	acad	no
Welland Abulling Willer Dianth	J.J	paiustille	good	no

## (b) General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:

## Flow is:

Wetland Name	Flow	Explain
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	Perennial flow.	-

### Surface flow is:

Wetland Name	Flow	Characteristics
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	Discrete and confined	-

### Subsurface flow:

Wetland Name	Subsurface Flow	Explain Findings	Dye (or other) Test
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	Unknown	-	-

### (c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:

Wetland Name	Directly Abutting	Discrete Wetland Hydrologic Connection	Ecological Connection	Separated by Berm/Barrier
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	Yes	-	-	-

### (d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW:

Wetland Name	River Miles From TNW	Aerial Miles From TNW	Flow Direction	Within Floodplain
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	1 (or less)	1 (or less)	Wetland to/from navigable waters	100 - 500-year

### (ii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).

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Wetland Name	Explain	Identify specific pollutants, if known
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	-	-

# (iii) Biological Characteristics. Wetland supports:

Wetland Name	Riparian Buffer	Characteristics	Vegetation	Explain
Wetland Abutting Miller Branch	l X	varies greatly depending on width of wetland	X	99% except for stream channel

# 3. Characteristics of all wetlands adjacent to the tributary (if any):

All wetlands being considered in the cumulative analysis:

Not Applicable.

Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed:

Not Applicable.

# C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the chemical, physical and/or biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Significant Nexus: Not Applicable

# D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE:

### 1. TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands:

Not Applicable.

### 2. RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:

Wetland Name	Flow	Explain
Miller Branch	PERENNIAL	previous site visits and size of watershed

### Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:

Wetland Name	Туре	Size (Linear) (m)	Size (Area) (m²)
IIVIIII AF Branch	Relatively Permanent Waters (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs	30.48	-
Total:		30.48	0

# 3. Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:8 Not Applicable.

**Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:** Not Applicable.

4. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

# Wetland Name Flow Explain Wetland Abutting Miller Branch PERENNIAL abutting perennial stream

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area:

Wetland Name	Туре	Size (Linear) (m)	Size (Area) (m²)
Wyetiang Antitting Willer Branch	Wetlands directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs	-	2023.428
Total:		0	2023.428

# **5.** Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs: Not Applicable.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: Not Applicable.

# 6. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:

Not Applicable.

### Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area:

Not Applicable.

# 7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters:9

Not Applicable.

# E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS:10

Not Applicable.

# Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:

Not Applicable.

### Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:

Not Applicable.

#### F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS. INCLUDING WETLANDS

If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements:

Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce:

Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in "SWANCC," the review area would have been regulated based soley on the "Migratory Bird Rule" (MBR):

Waters do not meet the	"Significant Nexus"	standard,	where suc	h a finding	is required fo	rjurisdiction	(Explain):

Other (Explain):

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (ie., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment:

Not Applicable.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction. Not Applicable.

### **SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.**

#### A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD

(listed items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference below):

Data Reviewed	Source Label	Source Description
Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on		
behalf of the applicant/consultant	[	
Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf		
of the applicant/consultant	[	
Office concurs with data sheets/delineation		
report	[	
Corps navigable waters study	-	Nashville District Public Notice #86-23, dated May 1986
U.S. Geological Survey map(s).	-	Mason Ridge, AL
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service		
Soil Survey.	[	
Photographs	-	-
Other	-	Consultant photos

### **B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD:**

- <sup>1</sup>-Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.
- <sup>2</sup>-For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least "seasonally" (e.g., typically 3 months).
- <sup>3</sup>-Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.
- <sup>4</sup>-Note that the Instructional Guidebook contains additional information regarding swales, ditches, washes, and erosional features generally and in the arid West.
- <sup>5</sup>-Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.
- <sup>6</sup>-A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody's flow regime (e.g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.
- <sup>7</sup>-Ibid.
- 8-See Footnote #3.
- <sup>9</sup> -To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.
- <sup>10</sup>-Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.

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### **SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): 09-Ju
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B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: Nashville District, LRN-2008-00864-JD1

C. PROJECT LOCATION AN	D BACKGROUND	INFORMATION:
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State :	AL - Alabama
County/parish/borough:	Morgan
City:	Decatur
Lat:	

Long:

Universal Transverse Mercator: []

Name of nearest waterbody: Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek

Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW): Wheeler Lake

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 6030002

Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential jurisdictional areas is/are available upon request.

Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc¿) are associated with the action and are recorded on a different JD form.

### D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION:

Office Determination Date: 09-Jul-2008

Field Determination Date

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### **SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

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Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.

Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce.

Explain:

### B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There [] "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area.

### 1. Waters of the U.S.

### a. Indicate presence of waters of U.S. in review area:1

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Water Name	Water Type(s) Present
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Relatively Permanent Waters (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs

### b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area:

Area: (m²) Linear: (m)

## c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction:

based on: []

OHWM Elevation: (if known)

### 2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands:3

Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain:

### **SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

### A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs

### 1.TNW

Not Applicable.

### 2. Wetland Adjacent to TNW

### B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

### 1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

### (i) General Area Conditions:

Watershed size: 10 square miles

Drainage area: 1.5 square miles

Average annual rainfall: 54 inches Average annual snowfall: 3 inches

### (ii) Physical Characteristics

### (a) Relationship with TNW:

Tributary flows directly into TNW.

Tributary flows through [] tributaries before entering TNW.

:Number of tributaries

Project waters are 1-2 river miles from TNW.

Project waters are 1 (or less) river miles from RPW.

Project Waters are 1-2 aerial (straight) miles from TNW.

Project waters are 1 (or less) aerial(straight) miles from RPW.

Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries.

Explain:

no

Identify flow route to TNW:5

Unnamed Tributary to Bakers Creek to Wheeler Lake(TNW)

## **Tributary Stream Order, if known:**

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	Order	Tributary Name
1		Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek

### (b) General Tributary Characteristics:

### **Tributary is:**

Tributary Name	Natural	Artificial	Explain	Manipulated	Explain
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	-	-	-	X	channelized, oversized

### Tributary properties with respect to top of bank (estimate):

Tributary Name	Width (ft)	Depth (ft)	Side Slopes		
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	15	5	2:1		

# **Primary tributary substrate composition:**

Tributary Name	Silt	Sands	Concrete	Cobble	Gravel	Muck	Bedrock	Vegetation	Other
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Χ	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-

# **Vegetation Explained:**

Tributary Name	Percent Cover	Vegetation Explained
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	90	herbaceous

# Tributary (conditions, stability, presence, geometry, gradient):

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Tributary Name	Condition\Stability	Run\Riffle\Pool Complexes	Geometry	Gradient (%)
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	stable	no	Relatively straight	.166

# (c) Flow:

(0) 1 10 111				
Tributary Name	Provides for	Events Per Year	Flow Regime	Duration & Volume
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Seasonal flow		months and following	large watershed for seasonal stream that allows for large flows during heavy rain events. Otherwise small flow seasonal.

### **Surface Flow is:**

Tributary Name	Surface Flow	Characteristics
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Confined	-

### **Subsurface Flow:**

Tributary Name	Subsurface Flow	Explain Findings	Dye (or other) Test
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Unknown	-	-

# **Tributary has:**

Tributary Name	Bed & Banks	OHWM	Discontinuous OHWM <sup>7</sup>	Explain
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Х	X	-	-

Tributaries with OHWM<sup>6</sup> - (as indicated above)

Tributary Name	OHWM	Clear	Litter	Changes in Soil	Destruction Vegetation	Shelving	Wrack Line	Matted\Absent Vegetation	Sediment Sorting	Leaf Litter	Scour	Sediment Deposition	Flow Events	Water Staining	Changes Plant	Other
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	Х	Х	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction:

### **High Tide Line indicated by:**

Not Applicable.

### Mean High Water Mark indicated by:

Not Applicable.

### (iii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality;general watershed characteristics, etc.).

Tributary Name	Explain	Identify specific pollutants, if known
LINNAMEN LINNIJAN NI BAKER LIPEK	dry in photographs. Watershed is mixed industrial,	-
official of Dakoro Greek	residential and agricultural	

# (iv) Biological Characteristics. Channel supports:

Tributary Name	Riparian Corridor	Characteristics	Wetland Fringe	Characteristics	Habitat
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	-	-	-	-	-

- 2. Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW
- (i) Physical Characteristics:
- (a) General Wetland Characteristics:

**Properties:** 

Not Applicable.

(b) General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:

Flow is:

Not Applicable.

Surface flow is:

Not Applicable.

Subsurface flow:

# (c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:

Not Applicable.

### (d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW:

Not Applicable.

### (ii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).

Not Applicable.

### (iii) Biological Characteristics. Wetland supports:

Not Applicable.

### 3. Characteristics of all wetlands adjacent to the tributary (if any):

All wetlands being considered in the cumulative analysis:

Not Applicable.

Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed:

Not Applicable.

### C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the chemical, physical and/or biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Findings for: Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek

Stream has a large watershed that conveys large amounts of water to TNW including carbon transport. Being an intermittent stream, it has the ability to remove excessive nutrients such as nitrogen from agricultural areas in watershed.

# D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE:

### 1. TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands:

Not Applicable.

### 2. RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:

Wetland Name	Flow	Explain
Unnamed Tributary of Bakers Creek	SEASONAL	photos showing dry in summer and my familiarity with stream.

### Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:

Wetland Name	Туре	Size (Linear) (m)	Size (Area) (m²)
II INNOMEN TRINITARY OF BOKERS LIFER	Relatively Permanent Waters (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs	259.08	-
Total:		259.08	0

# 3. Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:8

Not Applicable.

### Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:

Not Applicable.

### 4. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

Not Applicable.

# Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area:

Not Applicable.

# 5. Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:

Not Applicable.

# Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area:

Not Applicable.

# 6. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs:

Not Applicable.

# Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area:

Not Applicable.

# 7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters:9

# E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS:10

Not Applicable.

Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:

Not Applicable.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area:

Not Applicable.

### F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS. INCLUDING WETLANDS

If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements:

Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce:

Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in "SWANCC," the review area would have been regulated based soley on the "Migratory Bird Rule" (MBR):

Waters do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (Explain):

Other (Explain):

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (ie., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment:

Not Applicable.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction.

Not Applicable.

**SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.** 

### A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD

(listed items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference below):

Data Reviewed	Source Label	Source Description
Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on		
behalf of the applicant/consultant	<u>-</u>	-
Corps navigable waters study	-	Nashville District Public Notice #86-23, dated May 1986
U.S. Geological Survey map(s).	-	Trinity, AL
Photographs	-	-
Other	-	submitted by applicant

#### B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD:

Description		
Previous permi	ts issued upstream of this site.	

- <sup>1</sup>-Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.
- <sup>2</sup>-For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least "seasonally" (e.g., typically 3 months).
- <sup>3</sup>-Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.
- <sup>4</sup>-Note that the Instructional Guidebook contains additional information regarding swales, ditches, washes, and erosional features generally and in the arid West.
- <sup>5</sup>-Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.
- <sup>6</sup>-A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody's flow regime (e.g., flow ever a rock outerpart or through a subject to the agencies will leak for indicators of flow characters and helps.
- g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.
- <sup>7</sup>-Ibid.
- 8-See Footnote #3.
- <sup>9</sup> -To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.
- <sup>10</sup>-Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.

### APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): 7 July 2008
- B. DISTRICT OFFICE: Nashville District

FILE NAME: Generic JD for All Section 10 Navigable Waters

FILE NUMBER: LRN-2008-01007 Robert Plummer

C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The proposed project is located on a navigable water located within the regulatory jurisdiction of the Nashville District Corps of Engineers. The Nashville District has previously determined the extent of navigable waters within the drainage areas of the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers located within the states of Tennessee, Kentucky, Alabama, and Mississippi. Posting of this JD establishes that the Corps has jurisdiction over navigable waters under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 not only for this application but also for all future permit applications located on recognized navigable waters. Future permit applications will reference this generic JD which will eliminate the need to post separate JDs for each future application. Since jurisdiction over Section 10 navigable waters is straightforward, we have determined that it serves no useful purpose to perform and post a separate JD for each action. Development and posting of this generic JD will allow limited staff resources to be focused on other JDs that require more in-depth analysis. (Additionally, since a significant nexus determination and related factors are not required for this ID. non relev

	evant sections of the standard seven-page JD form have been elin	minated in the interest of brevity and clarity.)
C N	Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 5130108  Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential juri	ich the aquatic resource flows: Caney Fork River, Great Falls Lake 18
D. R	REVIEW PERFORMED FOR EVALUATION: Office (De	esk) Determination. Date: 7 July 2008
	UMMARY OF FINDINGS HA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.	
area. [	ea. [Required]  Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.  Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, of Explain: Prior to the determination and listing of the Nash performed throughout the Nashville District to determine 329. These studies are available for review in the Nashville District issued Public Notice #86-23, dated 8 M	or May be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce. hville District's navigable waters, detailed navigability studies were which waters meet the navigable waters definition found in 33 CFR Part ille District office. Upon completion of these navigability studies, the May 1986, listing all navigable waters within the district. The complete list at http://www.lrn.usace.army.mil/cof/navigable_waters_list.htm.
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SUPPOI	RTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked					
requ	requested, appropriately reference sources below):					
$\boxtimes$	Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Location map submitted with application.					
	Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.					
	Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.					
	Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.					
Data sheets prepared by the Corps:						
	Corps navigable waters' study: Navigable water as listed in Nashville District Public Notice #86-23, dated 8 May 1986.					
$\boxtimes$	U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: 1:24,000, Doyle, TN					
	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation:					
	FEMA/FIRM maps: .					
	100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)					
$\boxtimes$	Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date) ORTHO, 1994:					
	or 🗌 Other (Name & Date):					
	Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: .					
	Applicable/supporting case law:					
	Applicable/supporting scientific literature:					
	Other information (please specify):					